

AL-V-B-098
Gover Mission Style House
National Highway, LaVale
Ca. 1930's

The Gover House is located on the National Road, La Vale. The house was built basically in Spanish - Mission Style which is normally associated with California, thus making the house unique in this area. The building is two story, three bay wide, rectangular frame structure. Wall construction is stucco with a hip roof covered with tiles. Unique features are the hugh wooden sculptured brackets, located below the eaves, that go around the house and the open air carport with flat roof supported by columns with Greek Doric Capitals.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Gover Mission Style

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

National Highway

CITY, TOWN

La Vale

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

C.H. Gover

Telephone #: 724-4686

STREET & NUMBER

274 National Highway

CITY, TOWN

La Vale

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21502

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 250

Folio #: 258

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Gover Mission Style House is located on the National Highway near La Vale, Allegany County

The building basically consists of a two story, three bay wide, rectangular frame structure. Wall construction is stucco. Wall features are plain. A one story, rear, brick addition with flat roof abuts the main building on the south side; with a brick chimney located outside end. The building is supported by a low, poured concrete foundation with a beveled water table. The roof of the building is original. It being a hip roof covered with tiles. Eaves of the roof exhibit wide soffit and large wooden brackets that go around the building. Windows in the building are nailed, with one-over-one and three-over- one lights. Window trim features stone lugsills. The main building's chimney is replaced; brick with corbeled cap; and interior located. The main entrance is on the northwest facade with original hardware. The building has a front portico, pedimented, whose roof is covered with tile and supported by stucco columns. A special feature of the building is an open air carport with flat roof, supported by columns with Greek Doric Capitals located on the west side of the building.

The building is structurally sound and retains most of its original appearance.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Ca. 1930's

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Gover Mission Style House is located on the National Road, La Vale. (The National Road was the first federal funded internal public improvement project in the U.S.)

Several things are unusual about this house. First, it was built during the 30's, the depression years, a time when not much building was going on in this area. Second, the main architectural style used in the building was Mission Style, normally associated with California, making this house quite unique in this area. The Gover House features stucco wall construction, hip roof covered with tiles and other things that make it consistent with mission-style architecture. Outstanding features include a front portico; pedimented, large wooden brackets that go around the house and an open air carport supported by columns with Greek Doric Capitals.

1. Harry Stegmaier, Jr., Allegany County-A History (Parsons, W. Va.: McCalin Printing Co., 1976)
2. Norval White, The Architecture Book (New York : Alfred A. Knopf, Inc., 1976) p. 200

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records Cumberland, Maryland 21502

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 75'x185'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson and William Pratt

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

6/17/77

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-5967

CITY OR TOWN

La Vale

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

TITLE SEARCH

Gover Mission Style House
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Allegany County Deed: Liber 250, Folio 258
Grantee: Nancy Hammond Bean Date: May 2, 1953
Grantor: Marian Hammond McVicker et vir Consideration: \$10,000.00
Notes: Part of a tract called "Promised Land" (Johnathon Dox 1806)

Allegany County Will: Liber X, Folio 70
Grantee: Marian Hammond McVicker et vir Date: Dec. 2, 1950
Grantor: Daisy A. Hammond (mother) (widow)

Allegany County Deed: Liber 121, Folio 594
Grantee: Daisy A. Hannond et vir Date: April 13, 1917
Grantor: Richard J. Beggs et ux

Allegany County Deed: Liber 108, Folio 28
Grantee: Richard J. Beggs et ux Date: May 6, 1911
Grantor: Real Estate and Building Co. of Cumberland, MD.

Allegany County Deed: Liber 70, Folio 279
Grantee: Real Estate and Building Co. of Cumberland, MD. Date: May 27, 1891
Grantor: Henry J. Glick et ux

Allegany County Deed: Liber 69, Folio 146
Grantee: Henry J. Glick et ux Date: Oct. 28, 1890
Grantor: Henry Wiegand et ux Consideration: \$600.00

Allegany County Deed: Liber 64, Folio 284
Grantee: Henry Wiegand Date: July 29, 1887
Grantor: Laura V. McKaig Watts et vir Consideration: \$1,000.00

Allegany County Deed: Liber 53, Folio 167
Grantee: Laura V. McKaig Watts et vir Date: July 5, 1879
Grantor: Elizabeth A. McNamee et vir

Allegany County Deed: Liber 51, Folio 366
Grantee: Elizabeth A. McNamee and Laura V. McKaig Watts Date: Dec. 22, 1877
Grantor: Emily and Anna Eckles (wife and daughter of Samuel Eckles) (deceased)

Allegany County Deed: Liber 9, Folio 491
Grantee: Samuel Eckles Date: June 8, 1853
Grantor: Mount Savage Iron Company

INVENTORY NO: AL-V-B-098

DATE: 6/17/77

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

250/258
75' x 185'

NAME OF PROPERTY: Gover Mission Style House

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: National Highway

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: Northwest

NAME OF OWNER: C.H. Gover

724-4686

ADDRESS: 274 National Highway

La Vale, Maryland 21502

SIZES: 10' () 12' (X) 14' () 16' () 18' () 20' () 22' () 24' () 26' () 28' () 30' () 32' () 34' () 36' () 38' () 40' () 42' () 44' () 46' () 48' () 50' () 52' () 54' () 56' () 58' () 60' () 62' () 64' () 66' () 68' () 70' () 72' () 74' () 76' () 78' () 80' () 82' () 84' () 86' () 88' () 90' () 92' () 94' () 96' () 98' () 100' ()

ADDITIONS: Rear brick addition

DWELLING SHAPE: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- (X) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
() BRICK: Bond type - common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
() STONE: Bond type - rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
() LOG
(X) OTHER: Coverings Stucco

WALL FEATURES: Belt Course, Pilasters, Others Plain

FOUNDATIONS: High, Low, Brick, Stone Pour concrete

WATER TABLE: None, Plain, Beveled, Moulded Brick

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(X) 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other(X) 3/1
pegged() nailed(X) wide() narrow() mitred() pediment()

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: Northwest
HARDWARE: original(X) replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed) Brackets
original() replaced() rafter ends, modillions, dentils, frieze, architrave

ROOF: Gable front, Gable flank, Hip, Shed, Mansard, Gambrel, Flat, Dormers #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt; Tile original(X) replaced()

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable(X) Tile

CHIMNEYS: Number: 2 Brick(X) Stone() Corbeled(X) original() replaced(X)
Location: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior(X)

ARCHES: Door & Windows: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

USE: Residence

SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture

DATE CONSTRUCTED: 1930's

CONDITION: Good

FLOOR PLAN:

- () CENTRAL HALL: Two rooms, each side; double parlor, one side
- () SIDE HALL: One room deep, two rooms deep
- () IRREGULAR

STAIRWAYS:

- () ENCLOSED: Single flight, two flights with landing
- () OPEN: Single flight, two flights - one landing, three flights - two landings
- () DOG-LEG
- () DOG-LEG WITH WINDING

WALL FINISH:

- () PLASTER
- () paneled: original; replaced
- () BOARD PARTITION: baseboard, cornice, chair rail, wainseot

FIREPLACES:

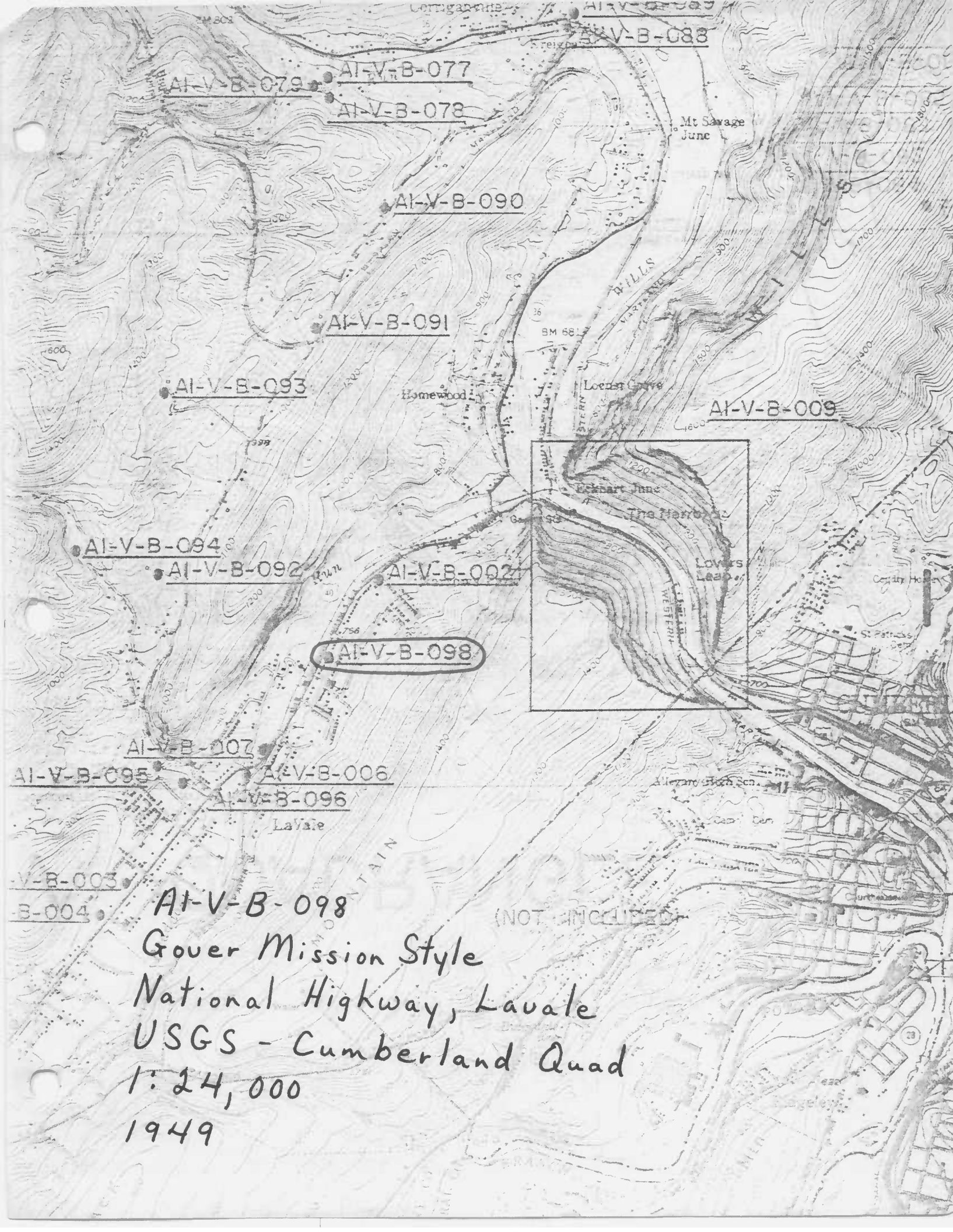
NUMBER _____
LOCATION: parallel to walls, diagonal
MANTELS: wood mouldings, pilasters, columns, masonry, marble

DOORS: paneled, board and batten, flush
HARDWARE: original; replaced

DOOR & WINDOW TRIM:

- () PLAIN
- () ARCHITRAVE
- () SYMMETRIC with CORNER BLOCKS
- () FLUTED
- () FLUTED with CORNER BLOCKS
- () ARCHED OPENINGS: elliptical, tudor

NOTES:



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Gouver Mission Style
National Highway, Lavale
USGS - Cumberland Quad
1:24,000
1949

(NOT INCLUDED)



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GOVER MISSION STYLE HOUSE

NATIONAL HIGHWAY, I.ava/e

JOHN E. NELSON

6/17/77

Southeast



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GOVER MISSION STYLE HOUSE

NATIONAL HIGHWAY, Lava/e

JOHN E. NELSON

6/17/77

East



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GOVER MISSION STYLE HOUSE

NATIONAL HIGHWAY, LAVALE

JOHN E. NELSON

6/17/77

NORTH